

Amendment to the Specification:

Please amend the Applicant's Specification at Page 12, Lines 4-21 as follows:

-- As indicated previously, the carrier member 12 is preferably a unitary member. The carrier member 12, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, is substantially rectangular-shaped and has top and bottom ends 32, 34 and lateral left and right sides or ends 36, 38, also referred to herein as left and right stanchions 36, 38. The carrier member 12 may be formed integrally of molded plastic material, such as a thermoset or thermoplastic material, and have one more integrally formed accessory attachment mounts or locations 40. The carrier member 12 may also be formed of other materials such as metal including steel, stainless steel, aluminum, and magnesium, or formed of a composite material, or a filled or reinforced material. The accessory attachment mounts [[40]] may include integrally formed mounting points 42 for directly supporting accessories of the motor vehicle or defined openings 44 in the carrier member 12 for supporting, for example, large engine accessories such as a radiator cooling fan or a heat exchanger. For example, the two large circular openings 44a, 44b depicted in Figs. 1 and 2 are suitable for mounting a radiator cooling fan (not shown) and transmission oil cooler (not shown) of a motor vehicle engine. ---